

## Von Sternburgs Got New York For Week's Stay

Baron Speck von Sternburg, the German ambassador, and his wife, Mrs. von Sternburg, left Washington yesterday afternoon for New York, where they will remain for about a week. This evening the ambassador will attend a banquet at the Waldorf-Astoria in honor of Prof. Robert Koch, of Berlin, given by the German Medical Society of New York.

### Jusserands Entertain.

The British Ambassador and Mrs. James Bryce and their house guests, Mr. and Mrs. Humphrey Ward, Miss Ward, and Professor and Mrs. Bury, all of England, were dinner guests of the French Ambassador and Mme. Jusserand last evening.

Invited to meet them were the Secretary of the Navy, Victor H. Metcalf; the Secretary of Interior and Mrs. Garfield, Mr. Justice and Mrs. Holmes, Senator and Mrs. Alden Smith, Representative and Mrs. Foss, the Counselor of the British Embassy and Lady Isabella Howard, Mr. and Mrs. George Young, of the British Embassy staff; Major Fournier, and Viscount de Chambrun of the French embassy staff.

The Military Attache of the British embassy and Mrs. B. R. James, who were among the dinner hosts last evening, had as their guests Rear Admiral and Mrs. Brownson, General and Mrs. Wetherston, Dr. and Mrs. Pettus, and Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Hague.

Mrs. John W. Foster and her daughter, Mrs. Lansing, have gone to Atlantic City for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. A. Caldwell Jenkins have issued cards for the marriage reception of their daughter, Alta, and Paul Yates Waters Wednesday evening, April 22, at 8.30 o'clock.

The ceremony will be attended by only relatives and intimate friends of the bride and bridegroom.

Miss Frances Walker and Miss Annie Strelitz, of New York, are the guests of Mrs. E. J. Freeman until after Easter week.

### Mrs. Legare Returns.

Mrs. Legare, who has spent the winter in Charleston, S. C., returned to Washington accompanied by her two sons, Alexander Legare and Hugh Legare, who went to Charleston to bring their mother to Washington. Mrs. Legare is in her apartments in the Farragut building.

Mrs. Willard Warner, who has spent several weeks traveling in the South, has returned to her home in Washington.

Mrs. Randall Hoes entertained at a bridge party of seven tables in her home on Rhode Island avenue yesterday. The parlors were decorated with yellow jonquills and ferns.

### Poe-Williams Wedding.

Miss Catherine Stewart Williams, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Williams, formerly of Chicago, and Francis Bennett Poe, formerly of Baltimore, will be married this afternoon at 4 o'clock by the Rev. Roland Cotton Smith, pastor of St. John's Episcopal Church. The ceremony will be solemnized in the drawing room of the house, 133 Eighteenth street, which the bride's parents have leased for the coming spring season.

Miss Williams will have as her maid of honor Miss Eleanor Cram Ridgely, daughter of the former Comptroller of the Currency and Mrs. William Barrett Ridgely.

Only a small family party will attend the ceremony, which will be followed by a reception for the bride party, relatives, and intimate friends, and a few out-of-town guests.

### Parasol Sale.

Despite the disagreeable weather yesterday afternoon, the beautiful home of Mrs. Clarke Waggoner, on Connecticut avenue, just across the new Connecticut Avenue Bridge, was filled with society folk, who went to the parasol sale, given for the benefit of the Children's Country Home.

There was a beautiful assortment of handsome hand-painted embroidered linen, plain, fluffy, dark colored, and gay parasols, a large number of which were sold.

The tea table was especially attractive, adorned with American beauty roses and red shaded candles. Mme. Quesada, who wore a becoming gown of electric blue silk, served chocolate, and Mrs. Perry Johnson poured tea.

The sale will be continued this afternoon. Mrs. Waggoner, Mrs. Atkins, and Miss Emory compose the committee in charge.

Mrs. M. A. Keeler has taken the residence, 108 Harvard street, where she will be glad to see her friends.

### Mrs. Kauffmann Entertains.

Mrs. Victor Kauffmann was hostess at luncheon followed by bridge yesterday afternoon in her home on Wyoming avenue.

Dr. and Mrs. F. M. Chisolm have given up their apartment in the Champlain, where they spent the winter and have taken a house on Connecticut avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Hubbard, of Middleton, Conn., are stopping at the Shoreham for a few days.

Bishop Earl Cranston and Mrs. Cranston were here at a prominent reception last evening from 8 to 10 o'clock in their apartments in the Ontario.

Dr. John Alexander Clarke, U. S. A., and Mrs. Clark, who are the guests of Mrs. Clark's mother, Mrs. Robert Scott, in her home on Deane street, will sail shortly for the Philippines, where they will join the army contingent.

### Baseball Game Today.

A baseball game between teams picked from the New York Stock Exchange and Raquet Club and the Metropolitan Club, was played at 10:30 o'clock on the White House Ellipse this morning. It was largely attended by society maids and matrons, clubmen, sportsmen, and a number of other prominent people.

The New York players arrived in Washington yesterday morning and are stopping at the Shoreham. After the game they dined at the Metropolitan Club and attended the races at Benning. They will attend the performance at the Heloise this evening and will leave for home tomorrow morning.

Mrs. McLeod Matheson and her son, Mackenzie Matheson, with Mrs. Mackenzie, of Ross-shire, Scotland, have returned to Washington from the South, where they spent several weeks traveling. They spent some time at Florida resorts and in New Orleans.

## Miss Marian Chapman Leaves For Visit to Richmond Friend



MISS MARIAN CHAPMAN,  
Daughter of Representative and Mrs. Chapman of Illinois, Who Will Spend  
the Week-End in Richmond as the Guest of Miss Bessie Lamb.

Miss Marian Chapman, daughter of Representative and Mrs. Chapman of Illinois, left Washington this morning for Richmond, where she will be the guest of Miss Bessie Lamb, daughter of Representative Lamb of Virginia, for the week-end.

## BOY TRIES SUICIDE IN JUVENILE COURT

Failing in Attempt to Cut  
Mother, He Drinks  
Ink.

The guards at the Reform School are busy today watching the movements of Alfred Nelson, the fifteen-year-old white boy, who tried to end his life by the well route in juvenile court yesterday afternoon, having previously endeavored to carve his mother with a razor during the morning.

Alfred, it appears, had been before the juvenile court before and was already on probation. Consequently, when he was called to the bar to explain why he had tried to cut his mother and the probation officer in the morning, he dramatically seized the ink-well, held it aloft, a moment, and then dashed the contents in the direction of his mouth. Alfred then tried to die just as they do on the stage, falling in an ink-battered heap at the feet of Judge De Lacy. Confusion reigned until it was ascertained that Alfred was still a husky specimen physically, and Judge De Lacy completed the sentence, sending him to the Reform School.

Alfred's busy day started when the Rev. Zed H. Copp, probation officer, called at his home to ascertain if he had procured work. Mrs. Nelson informed the probation officer that her son refused to get work, and that she was tired of his antics. This so enraged the boy that he darted upstairs and returned with an open razor, which he endeavored to use upon his mother. Mr. Copp intervened, and held the boy.

The scene then shifted to the juvenile court, where Alfred, weeping profusely and with an "all is lost" air, grabbed the ink-well and endeavored to pull off the first suicide ever attempted in the juvenile court.

### DOING HIM A FAVOR.

A famous pianist, while strolling in the country, came upon an inviting tavern. Being thirsty, he entered and ordered a glass of beer. As he was about to raise the glass of refreshing beverage to his lips he spied a piano in the next room. Releasing his glass without touching its contents, the artist stepped into the piano room, sat down before his favorite instrument, and, being in the mood, began to pour out his feelings in soul-stirring melody.

Just as he was in the midst of his inspiration a gruff voice in his ear stopped him abruptly. Looking up in surprise and indignation, the pianist beheld the bartender standing over him with a glass of beer in his hand. "Say, mister," the server said, earnestly, "here's your beer; it's getting hot!"—Exchange.

### UNDERSTOOD IT.

Superintendent Cooley, of the Chicago public schools, tells of a boy who was being ethically examined by his teacher, who suspected he was morally lax. After much hard questioning, the teacher asked:

"Fred, if you saw another boy do a wrong in school, would you come and tell me of it?"

"No, sir, I never snitch."

"Never snitch! Snitch—snitch—there's no such word in Webster."

"I don't know anything about Webster," replied Fred, "but there ain't a boy in school but understands it. What is 'snitch'?"

"Oh, snitches, teacher, that's plain enough. Snitching is to be badly about another boy's business."

And the teacher had to be satisfied much that day. The word, which has a legitimate origin, means in fact "to betray."

GREELEY'S HAND.

No penman, either American or foreign, could have been worse than Horace Greeley. "Goodness," said a new compositor who took a "take" of the editor's copy had been handed. "If Greeley had seen this writing on the wall he would have been more terrified than he was."—Exchange.

## STRIKE OF MINERS COMING IN ILLINOIS

Operators Make Minor Concessions,  
But Both Are  
Firm on Essentials.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 11.—Only a miracle can stop an official strike of Illinois coal miners. The conferences between the operators and miners are expected to break up tomorrow. Then the decision of the international convention that no work shall be performed in the mines if negotiations are broken off will go into effect. Leaders on both sides admit this. The obstacles to a settlement here can be no agreement. The break may not come today, both sides say, but it is sure to come Monday.

The miners' convention adjourned to permit the various committees to work. The operators made a number of minor concessions. These were regarded as "non-essentials."

The breaking off of negotiations with the Illinois Operators' Association means an official strike will be declared and the mines will be kept idle for at least thirty days.

The Toledo convention of the operators and miners of western Pennsylvania, Ohio, and Indiana, which was held Tuesday next, no agreement is expected at this convention.

It is believed by the miners and operators here that a general strike, instead of a suspension, will be declared.

### THE HOLY GRAIL.

In medieval legend the "Holy Grail" is a cup or chalice supposed to have been of emerald, used by Christ at the Last Supper. In this vessel, Joseph of Arimathea, caught the last drop of Christ's blood as it was taken from the cross. By Joseph, according to one account, it was carried to Britain. Other accounts affirm that it was brought by angels from heaven and intrusted to a body of knights, who guarded it on the top of a mountain; when approached by any one not perfectly pure, it vanished from sight. The grail having been lost it became the great object of search or quest to knights errant of all nations, none being qualified to discover it, but a knight perfectly chaste in thought and act. The stories and poems concerning Arthur and the Knights of the Round Table are founded on this legend, and it has been still further developed in modern times. In the "Parsifal" of Wolfram, of Eschenbach, the grail is a precious stone confided by angels to the care of a religious brotherhood, "The Chevaliers of the Grail."

The Duchess of Saxe-Coburg is known as one of the most sensible women and mothers of Europe. Many come to her for advice, and never go away unsatisfied.

One day a bride of a few months rushed into her private apartments, exclaiming:

"I will never live with Henry again. He is a brute. He has no heart. He is absolutely unfeeling. Oh, I wish I could die!"

The duchess soothed her, and finally ascertained that:

"Henry said that he married me, and not mamma. Think of it! My poor mamma!"

"Oh, oh," said the duchess, "That's it? Well, you're right. I don't believe you would have Henry appear as a 'certainly not'."

"Well, Henry has only defined his legal position."

"Oh, that's it?"

"Most assuredly. Run home now and tell him how fortunate you think it is that he married but one of you. See? Quare! no more!"

And the duchess slipped away in smiles.—Exchange.

## Mrs. George Gray Luncheon Guest Of Mrs. Chatard

Mrs. Thomas M. Chatard entertained at luncheon today in honor of Mrs. George M. Gray, wife of Judge Gray, of Wilmington, Del.

Among the guests invited to meet her were Mrs. John Gill and Mrs. Morrison, who came over from Baltimore for the occasion.

Mrs. Stanley Matthews was hostess at dinner last evening in her home on I street in honor of Colonel Watterton.

Among the other guests were the Vice President and Mrs. Fairbanks, Speaker Cannon, Senator and Mrs. Elkins, Mr. Justice and Mrs. Harlan, and Mrs. McCormick.

### Edwards Dinner.

Gen. and Mrs. Clarence Edwards were hosts at an informal dinner party last evening in their home on Jackson place.

General Mondragon, a distinguished Mexican army officer, and Major Salas, the newly appointed Mexican military attaché to Paris, who spent a short while in Washington en route to New York, will sail from there early next week for Paris. During their stay in Washington they were guests at the Arlington.

### Mrs. Watson Leaves.

Mrs. Grant Watson will leave Washington today to spend a week with her family in New York before sailing for England. Mr. and Mrs. Watson expect to sail about April 18. They will spend three months in England.

Mrs. Benjamin H. Warder and her daughter, Miss Alice Warder, who sailed recently for Europe, will return to America in June. They will spend the season in Newport.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Nelson Page are spending several days in New York city, stopping at the Hotel Lorraine.

### Mrs. Blair's Luncheon.

Mrs. J. S. Blair was hostess at an informal luncheon yesterday in her residence on I street. Her guests were Mr. and Mrs. Baldwin, Miss Stuart, Henry A. Johnson, and the Messrs. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Mason N. Richardson entertained a party at dinner last evening in their home on Wyoming avenue.

Mrs. Woods and her daughter, Miss Blanche Ardline, of Boston, are guests at the Kingston.

Mrs. J. Kronheim, of T street, entertained the Thursday Evening Card Club at her home. Mrs. Paul Coblenzer, of Boston; Mrs. Samuel Bensinger, Mrs. Adelle Sigmund, Mrs. Louis Newmyer, and Mrs. Z. Strasburger.

Miss Irma Stern has returned from a visit to relatives in Baltimore.

Mr. and Mrs. Simon Lyon, with their little daughter and maid, of the Ontario, have gone to Indianapolis, Ind., to visit relatives.

Mrs. L. Heehinger has as her guest Mr. Kahn, of New York.

Miss Tillie Raff has returned from a visit to her sister, Mrs. Felix Cahn, in Baltimore.

Mrs. Well, of New York, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Daniel Levy.

Mrs. L. S. Kann and Mrs. J. S. Kann have returned from a short visit to relatives in Baltimore.

A. Richold, of New York, spent a few days here this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. Richold, of Eighteenth street.

Mr. and Mrs. Max Rosensweig, of New York, are spending the week here at the Willard. Mrs. Rosensweig was formerly Miss Bertha Behrend, of Washington.

## TODAY'S CALLERS AT WHITE HOUSE

Sensors Callers of Illinois.

Wenmore of Rhode Island.  
Stenhouse of Wisconsin.  
Warren of Wyoming.  
Brown of Nebraska.  
Borah of Idaho.

Representatives Aiken of South Carolina.  
Kennedy of Ohio.  
McLaughlin of Michigan.

Humphrey of Washington.  
Wilson of Illinois.  
Roberts of Massachusetts.

Tullo Larrinaga, resident commissioner from Porto Rico.

### ELECTRIC ICE HARVESTER.

Along the Hudson river, where more ice is harvested than in any other section of the country, electric motors are being extensively used in handling the crop for next summer's trade. Out on the surface of the river the ice is being marked and cut with "pumps" drawn by horses. The cakes are spudded off by hand and floated to the electrically operated chain conveyors, where they are automatically hoisted from the water and hurled to the ice houses. As the cakes pass along on the conveyors they go through the various finishing machines. One device trims the cakes to the proper size; another shaves the top of each, because passing trains and the smoke from nearby cities have left sediment of soot on the surface of the ice. This machine also trims off all snow ice, which does not keep well. The ice is hoisted and carried to the most remote corners of the great ice houses entirely by electricity. The packers only have to shove each cake into its place as fast as it comes.—Exchange.

### BRAZIL'S BLACK DIAMONDS.

The mining methods employed are of the crudest nature, and the work is all done by native miners. The diamonds and carbons are found in a gravel known as "cascado," which is obtained on the sides and slopes of the Sincora mountains and in the Paragassu river bed and tributaries. Owners and lessees of diamond lots generally allow well-known miners to work their properties, who receive a return of one-fifth to one-fourth of the value of their finds. The former generally buy in all the precious stones themselves and sell them either on the spot to the diamond buyers who represent the Bahia firms, or the stones are shipped to Paris or London for their account, or on joint account with the firms established in Bahia, with their head offices at home. They receive from these firms from 80 to 90 per cent of the value of the diamonds, and the balance is paid after the goods are disposed of.—Exchange.

## Form New Four Hundred To Raise Charity Fund

Four Men Start to Wipe  
Out \$4,000 Deficit in  
Short Time.

Washington is to have a new "Four Hundred." Its purpose, however, is to be other than the encouragement of rivalry in expensive masquerade balls, teas, and receptions. Its personnel is to be just as representative, nevertheless, of the best citizenship of the community. The new society has been organized to raise a \$4,000 deficit in the funds of the joint committee for the Associated Charities, the Citizens' Relief Association, and the Committee on the Prevention of Consumption.

The first of the charter members of this charitable set were enrolled yesterday afternoon at a meeting of the joint committee held in the board room of the American Security and Trust Company. As soon as the plan was suggested, there was response on the part of all those present who were glad of the opportunity to have their names among the "Four Hundred." Each of the members of the new organization will subscribe a \$10 bill. Thus through the aid of the new society the deficit will be made good, and the work of the charitable associations can be continued. When it is considered that memberships in other exclusive organizations having less worthy objects cost many times this amount, it is not doubted that the roster of Washington new "Four Hundred" will be quickly completed.

### Suggested by A. Lisner.

The idea was suggested by A. Lisner, who made the first subscription, and was enrolled as the first member of the new society. E. Francis Riggs had applied for membership a month later and he was followed by John B. Stearns, Jr., and Edgar D. Shaw, forming the original four of the original "Four Hundred."

Members of the joint committee were

First Enrollment  
In "400" Club

- 1—A. Lisner.
- 2—E. Francis Riggs.
- 3—J. B. Stearns, Jr.
- 4—E. D. Shaw.

enthusiastic over the plan as soon as it was inaugurated. It is believed that the required number of charitably inclined people of prominence will be secured within a week. When the "Four Hundred" is complete the enrollments will cease, and the prospect of entry to the new "Four Hundred" will be gone. That a membership in the original organization will always be cherished was indicated by the readiness with which those who have already joined tendered their \$10 bills and obtained in return the satisfaction of having assisted a worthy cause and gained membership to a representative organization which has for its object the uplift of the poverty-stricken.

### How to Join "400."

Those wishing to join the club may send their names and subscriptions to the office of the joint finance committee, 811 G street northwest, where the names will be duly enrolled and published until the complete "Four Hundred" is obtained.

The members of the joint finance committee are: Chairman, Cuno H. Rudolph; vice chairman, Corcoran Thoms; secretary, Charles F. Weiler; treasurer, Howard S. Reeside, American Security and Trust Company or 811 G street; committee members, Milton E. Allen, Mrs. Harlan, American Security, Berliner, Scott C. Bone, Mrs. William Corcoran, Estlin, William F. Gude, Robert N. Harper, Archibald Hopkins, Irving Jennings, A. Lisner, John B. Stearns, H. B. F. Macfarland, Arthur D. Marks, Frederic L. Moore, Dr. Sothe, Nelson Jung, Thomas C. Noyes, Howard S. Reeside, E. Francis Riggs, Edgar D. Shaw, William P. Spurgeon, John B. Stearns, Jr., Mrs. Emily Tucker, George Truesdell, Mrs. Herbert Wadsworth, and S. W. Woodward.

## DEMOCRATS FIGHT TO OBTAIN SEATS

New York Leaders Plan  
Convention for Next  
Week.

NEW YORK, April 11.—Democratic State leaders today expect a two-day convention here next week, if Jacob L. Ten Eyck, of Albany, and State Committeeman Burgard, of Erie county, carry out their threats of making final fights to seat their contesting delegates. In each case the prize involved is a seat in the State committee. It was also reported here that Thomas Osborne, of Auburn, would appear at the meeting of the State committee Monday afternoon with a proxy and make trouble for the forces of State Chairman Connor.

Ten Eyck is opposing Patrick E. McCabe, the present member of the State committee from Albany, and political enemy of Connor. The Connor men say they will have sufficient power to seat Ten Eyck and throw out McCabe, but McCabe and Senator McCarran of Brooklyn, his ally, are confident they will win. Sheriff Smith, of Erie county, won the delegates to the convention and will seek to succeed Burgard as member of the State committee. Burgard is prepared to make a hard fight, but it was said today that the Smith delegation in all probability will be placed on the temporary roll and maintain its advantage.

The alternate delegates-at-large will be practically no opposition to the set program in regard to national affairs; that an unstructured delegation will be selected for the Denver convention, and a prearranged "Big Four" slate will be put through.

Those who seek to make trouble, however, say the committee on contested seats probably will be in session all day Tuesday, and that the convention will not be able to get down to final business before Wednesday.

The alternate delegates at large will be State Senator John Raines, Thomas P. Peters, editor of the Brooklyn Times; Norman J. Gould, of Seneca Falls, and Charles Anderson, collector of port, New York.

HE MET SHORTY.

Nicknames are sometimes deceptive, and they are oftentimes extremely funny. I was in a small town not many miles south of Boston, and asking for a certain piece of information, I was informed by several that "Shorty" could give it to me, and he seemed to be the only man who could. Not knowing just who "Shorty" was, I made further inquiries and was told that he could be found in the store just across the square.

"Just ask for 'Shorty,'" I was told. "Any one will show him to you."

I went over to the store as directed and asked about for some one who might answer the name. Only one man was present, and he was almost a seven footer. After looking about a moment I started to leave.

"Lookin' for some one, stranger?" he observed.

"Yes, I'm looking for 'Shorty,'" I told him.

"Guess you've got him," he murmured. "I'm your man."—Boston Traveler.

### THE FUTURE "SCENIC ROUTE."

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POSSIBLY.

"You say that after the auto knocked you down and ran over you the chauffeur turned the machine and ran back toward you?"

"Yes, your honor."

"Why, should he have done this if, as you claim, he had ran over you purpose?"

"I s'pose he wanted to run over me again, your honor."—Exchange.

## MILITARY LEAGUE AGAIN IN LINE

Officers Make Satisfactory  
Explanation to A. A. U.  
Officials.

NEW YORK, April 11.—Harmony once more prevails between the Amateur Athletic Union and the Military Athletic League. There was a conference in President James E. Sullivan's office yesterday, in which Mr. Sullivan, Major W. A. Turpin, of the Thirtieth Regiment; Captain Huen, of the Seventy-first Regiment; and Major Du Bois, of the Twenty-third Regiment, took part.

In explanation of the affair it was stated that the athletic committee of the M. A. L. did not know that Cypriot, the winner of the shot-put; Van Sise, and MacGill were disqualified athletes. The Military Athletic League left the handling of entries to others, and these men were to blame. Had the M. A. L. committee known of the disqualifications the entries would have been rejected, explained the officers to Mr. Sullivan.

The suspension of the athletes who competed in the events with the barred athletes has been lifted, and they will be permitted to compete in the Military League games next Wednesday night at the Twenty-second Regiment Armory.

### BACON BREEDS NEEDED.

There appear to be many reasons why the bacon type of hog should be more popular than the large type, says the Agriculturalist. Our pork is consumed entirely for consumption on the farm. Corn, the great fat and hard producing feed, is high priced, while the feeds most easily and cheaply grown are calculated to produce lean meat or the bacon type; and our foundation, or native stock, tending to the bacon type, the use of boars of the bacon breeds in crossing up, should soon establish a good type of bacon hogs on our farms. However, we are large consumers of lard, have not yet learned to finish our hogs on anything but corn, and the discredited bacon breeds have been the popular, even among those who have introduced the improved modern hog.

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